



**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Mark J. Ratain, et al.

Serial No.: 10/057,834

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OPTIMIZING UGT2B7 SUBSTRATE  
DOSINGS AND FOR PREDICTING  
UGT2B7 SUBSTRATE TOXICITY

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Preliminary Amendment in the above-referenced case. Consideration of this case in view of the amendments made herein is respectfully requested.

**AMENDMENT**

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On page 2 of the Specification, please delete the paragraph spanning lines 2 through 5 and add the following paragraph:

--The present application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/264,534 filed January 26, 2001, which is specifically incorporated by reference in its entirety. The government may own rights in the present invention pursuant to grants GM61393 and U01-GM 99-004 from the National Institute of Health.--

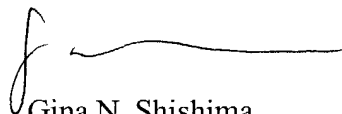
**REMARKS**

The specification has been amended to recite the priority date.

Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/ARCD:358US.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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